Local Workforce Development Area 2-year Plan Updates (2019)

Per section 108 of WIOA, local and regional workforce development areas are required to develop and submit local and regional plans to the state every 4 years. The local WDBs, in partnership with the chief elected officials, must review the regional and local plans and ensure that updates to the local and regional plans are conducted. Only updates are required for the regional and local plans, therefore it is not expected that a full rewrite of a plan be conducted.

Policy Reference: OWDI #01-2017, Change 1
Regional and Local Planning Instructions (PDF linked)

Members of the System Oversight Subcommittee (SOS) conducted a review of the local and regional plan updates. There were 2 reviewers per plan with guidance to provide feedback regarding positive practices, clarifying questions, prompting thoughts, and challenges for future strategic planning. Feedback will be distributed to the areas following the Council approval of the plan updates on January 31, 2020.

Recommendations for WSOC Approval January 8, 2020

Eastern Workforce Board

Updated 4-year Workforce Development Plan highlights:

- Updated unemployment rate data and analysis
- Increase in labor specialization
- Four-county partner meetings established/expanded East and West
- Business and Industry Services team established
- Comprehensive assessment process

Northeast Oklahoma Workforce Development Board

Updated 4-year Workforce Development Plan highlights:

- Updated analysis of local area economic conditions including existing and emerging in-demand industry sectors and occupations
- Collaboration with mental health service providers
- Career Pathway development
- Sector strategies in healthcare and manufacturing
- Job Seeker Wrap Around Matrix updated

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South Central Oklahoma Workforce Board

Updated 4-year Workforce Development Plan highlights:

- Efforts to promote collaboration with tribes
- Job Corp co-location in comprehensive center
- Customized training and incumbent worker policy

Workforce Tulsa

Updated 4-year Workforce Development Plan highlights:

- Board developed strategic plan with 17 outcome-aligned goals and initiatives
- Partnership with adult education and literacy programs

Western Oklahoma Workforce Development Board

Updated 4-year Workforce Development Plan highlights:

- Employer and job-seeker customer satisfaction survey developed and implemented
- Updated unemployment data and analysis
- Outreach and wrap-around service approach for employers
- Business referral efforts
- Assistive technology upgrades to AJCs
- Updated fiscal agent

OOWD Regional and Local Planning Instructions: OWDI #01-2017, Change 1